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Dear Sir:

Enclosed are the following items for filing in connection with the above-referenced Patent Application:

- 1. Petition for Extension of Time under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a) (in duplicate);
- 2. Fee Transmittal;
- 3. Amendment Transmittal Letter (in duplicate);
- 4. Amendment in Response to Non-Final Office Action;
- 5. Copy of stamped postcard dated May 25, 2007;
- 6. Copy of Form Used in Lieu of PTO/SB/08A/B filed on May 25, 2007;
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8. Return receipt postcard.

Our check in the amount of \$460.00 covering the required fees is enclosed. The Director is hereby authorized to charge any deficiency in the fees filed, asserted to be filed or which should have been filed herewith (or with any paper hereafter filed in this application by this firm) to our Deposit Account No. 50-0740, under Docket No. 000166.2025-US02. A duplicate copy of this paper is enclosed.

It is not believed that extensions of time or fees for net addition of claims are required beyond those that may otherwise be provided for in documents accompanying this paper. However, if additional extensions of time are necessary to prevent abandonment of this application, then such extensions of time are hereby petitioned under 37 C.F.R. § 17.136(a), and any fees required therefor (including fees for net addition of claims) are hereby authorized to be charged to our Deposit Account No. 50-0740.

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